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Fake Patty's Day goers start their festivities early on during Fake Patty's Day in Aggieville on Saturday.

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Financial aid far from breaking even as tuition continues to rise

By Abdurahman Basha THE COLLEGIAN

Over the past three decades, post-secondary education has seen a lot of changes regarding financial assistance. As such, affordability is becoming a bigger concern for both current and future college students.

According to the New York Times, college tuition and fees in the U.S. have increased 1,225 percent since 1978 – nearly twice the rate of the rise in health care costs and a little over three times the increase in the consumer price index.

A solution to the tuition prices dilemma has been need-based Federal Student Aid, but federal aid may be losing it's potency. Assistance programs like the Federal Perkins Loans, Federal Work Study, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants and Federal Pell Grants are some of the most reliable forms of assistance due to their size and federal government support.

That being said, these programs currently face turmoil on both state and national levels, and there's a great deal of uncertainty regarding their futures

As Pell Grants continue their slow upturn, they aren't able to keep up with the rate of increase in tuition prices. According to a survey by the College Board, the average published tuition and fees for in-state students at public four-year colleges and universities increased from \$7,825 in 2009-10 (shortly after the start of the recession) to \$9,139 in 2014-15. The 17 percent (\$1,314) increase in tuition and fees was accompanied by only a 7.1 (\$380) percent increase in the average Pell Grant gift amount from the federal government.

Robert Gamez, senior associate director of student financial assistance, said it's important to note that as Pell Grants may be the largest piece of the pie when it comes to a financial aid package. There are other supplemental programs that are losing much of their weight due to a significant lack of funding, however.

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Theater department puts an operatic twist on Grimm classic

By Mara Atzenhoffer THE COLLEGIAN

Over the weekend, K-State's School of Music, Theatre and Dance performed "Hansel and Gretel the Opera.'

"Hansel and Gretel" is the classic tale based on the Grimm Brothers fairytale. In the story, Hansel and Gretel disobey their parents by ignoring their daily chores and playing all day. When their mother returns, she sends them into the woods, warning them not to return until they have filled their basket with strawberries. The children get lost. Scared and alone, they wander the woods until they come across a beautiful house decorated with candies and gingerbread and meet the woman who lives there.

'I thought it was very interesting to hear the different voices of opera from each of the performers," Taylor Knoth, sophomore in life sciences, said.

The opera was broken into three acts. Act one and two are combined and work as the exposition to the show. Hansel was played by Erin Koolman, graduate student in music, and Gretel was played by Ivy Calvert, senior in applied music. The ballet which ended the first half of the show acted as a graceful piece put on by fairies while the children slept.

"I liked the singing, it was very good," Zaira Ruiz, junior in humanities, said. "I also thought that the twist on the classical tale was very cool."

The third act of the show is when the witch, played by Madison Moore, junior in applied music, is introduced. The witch in particular was a very animated character, especially through the designs of her costume and candy-covered gingerbread house.

"I really enjoyed how whimsical it was," Chase Rossman, junior in theater, said. "The world looked like a pop up book, but still managed to retain a bit of creepiness with the witch and gingerbread kids.'

The set and the actors worked to encompass the tale the Grimm Brothers told. This animated and operatic performance incorporated the playfulness of the young children while telling their story in a unique and musical way.

'Hansel and Gretel' had a very talented cast and an outstanding orchestra," Melissa Heurter, freshman in pre-journalism, said.

The show ended with the final number that Hansel and Gretel sang and included a chorus of gingerbread children. The staged children went from being painted as set pieces to real people after eliminating of the witching and breaking the spell with the magic wand.

To think that most of the people who brought this show together are college students is incredible, and goes to show the quality of instruction by the professors and the level of skill the students in the performing arts department at K-State," Mary Higgins, sophomore in music education, said.

The overall production strived to incorporate each aspect of what the School of Music, Theatre and Dance has to offer.

"The show itself was extremely well written and hilarious, but I was more blown away by the amount of talent all the singers, instrumentalist, costume designers, set designers and everyone else brought to the production," Hig-



NICHOLAS CADY | THE COLLEGIAN

Ivy Calvert, senior in applied music, portrays Gretel in the School of Music, Theatre and Dance's opera production of the famous fairytale "Hansel and Gretel."

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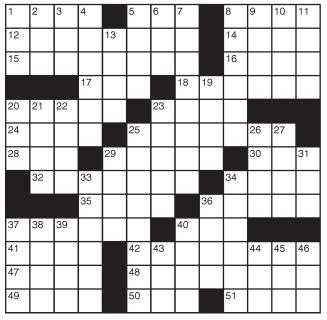
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Friday, March 7

David Patrick Conkwright, of Westmoreland, Kansas, was booked for attempting to elude. Bond was set at \$5,000.

Joshua Michael Eubanks, of the 3000 block of Tuttle Creek Boulevard, was booked for driving with a cancelled, suspended or revoked license. Bond was set

Richard Jay Crist, of the 3700 block of Birch Court, was booked for criminal damage to property. Bond was set at \$3,000.

Aaron Mathew Lippert, of Stilwell, Kansas, was booked for theft of property and services, obstructing the legal process, unlawful use of license and purchase or consumption of alcohol as a minor. Bond was set at \$5,000.

Mealy Ryan Michael, of the 800 block of Thurston Street, was booked for theft of property or services, possession of opium, opiates and narcotics, obstructing the legal process, fleeing or atadvertising@kstatecollegian.com785-532-6555 classifieds@kstatecollegian.com785-532-6556 news@kstatecollegian.com

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tempting to elude, driving under the influence, reckless driving and purchasing or consumption of alcohol as a minor. Bond was set at \$12,000.

Barry Allan Lane, of Hays, Kansas, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Sean Thomas Sullivan, of the 700 block of Dondee Drive, was booked for unlawful possession of hallucinogens with intent to use on the human body. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Caleb Cornelius O'Con**nell**, of Fort Riley, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750

Damyn Donte Price, of Hutchinson, was booked for driving under the influence and driving without an ignition interlock. Bond was set at \$2,500.

Charles Reginald Grav. of Lawrence, was booked for criminal trespass. Bond was set at \$750.

Saturday, March 8

Sarah Jo Slaven, of Kansas City, Missouri, was booked for unlawful possession of hallucinogens, unlawful possession of stimulants with intent to use on the human body. Bond was set at \$3,000.

Chad Richard Blair, of Valley Center, Kansas, was booked for disorderly conduct and consumption of liquor by minor. Bond was set at \$1,500.

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Austin Lee O'Bannon, of Olathe, Kansas, was booked for unlawful possession of stimulants, obstruction of the legal process and purchase or consumption of alcohol as a minor. Bond was set at \$3,000.

Keaton Granville Canaday, of the 1700 block of North Manhattan Avenue, was booked for disorderly conduct and purchase or consumption of alcohol as a minor. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Trevor Dylan Showalter, of Derby, Kansas, was booked for possession of opiates, opium and narcotics. Bond was set at

Curtis Allen Cline, of the 1000 block of Sunset Avenue, was booked for possession of opiates, opium and narcotics, purchase or consumption of alcohol as a minor and resisting arrest. Bond was set at \$7,000.

Morgan Susan Barrett, of Leawood, Kansas, was booked for battery against law enforcement officials and obstructing the legal process. Bond was set at \$2,000.

Bryan Mitchell Hunter, of the 1600 block of Laramie Street, was booked for battery, disorderly conduct and obstructing the legal process. Bond was set at \$3,000.

Konnaly Wolfgang Schmidt, of Pretty Prairie, Kansas, was booked for obstructing the legal process and purchase or consumption of alcohol as a minor. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Daniel Brandon Danahy, of Pretty Prairie, Kansas, was booked for distributing opium or opiates and obstructing the legal process. Bond was set at \$6,000.

Mark Allen Schnittker, of Pretty Prairie, Kansas, was booked for obstructing the legal process. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Jacob Kayle Harshberger, of Dodge City, Kansas, was booked for minor in possession of alcohol and obstructing the legal process. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Kyle Neal Gammon, of Liberty, Missouri, was booked for purchase or consumption of alcohol as a minor. Bond was set

Eric Joseph Wilson II, of Hays, Kansas, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$500.

Jeremy James Williamson, of the 2400 block of Stadium Place, was booked for driving under the influence and transporting an open container. Bond was set at \$750.

Christopher Jared Hoyte, of the 4400 block of Tuttle Creek Boulevard, was booked for theft of property or services. Bond

was set at \$2,000.

Aaron Pieter Shaw, of the 1400 block of Old Claflin Road, was booked for unlawful possession of hallucinogens and possession of paraphernalia with intent to manufacture. Bond was set at \$500.

Brenton Michael Damron, of the 500 block of North 17th Street, was booked for aggravated battery. Bond was set at \$5,000.

Miles Bryan Wedel, of Wichita, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750

Timothy James Svoboda, of St. Louis, was booked for driving under the influence and consumption of liquor by a minor. Bond was set at \$500.

Jacob Douglas Edwards, of Brandon, South Dakota, was booked for disorderly conduct. Bond was set at \$750

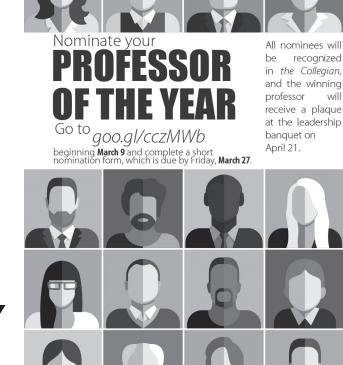
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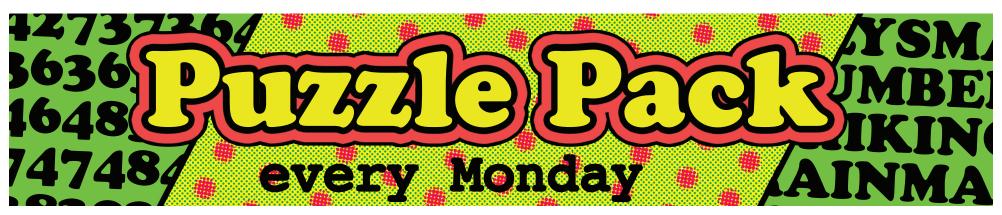


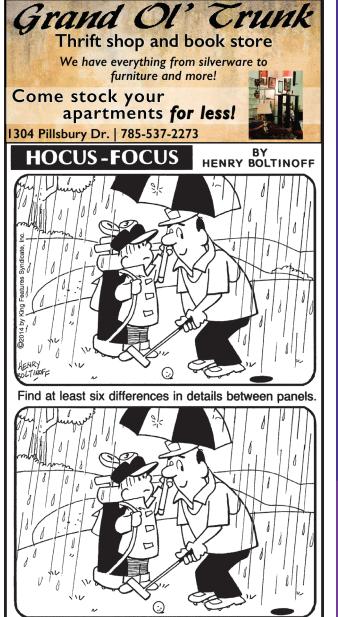




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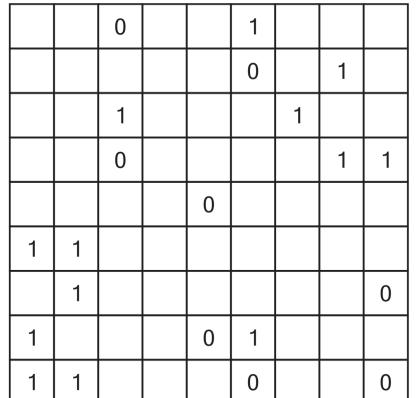
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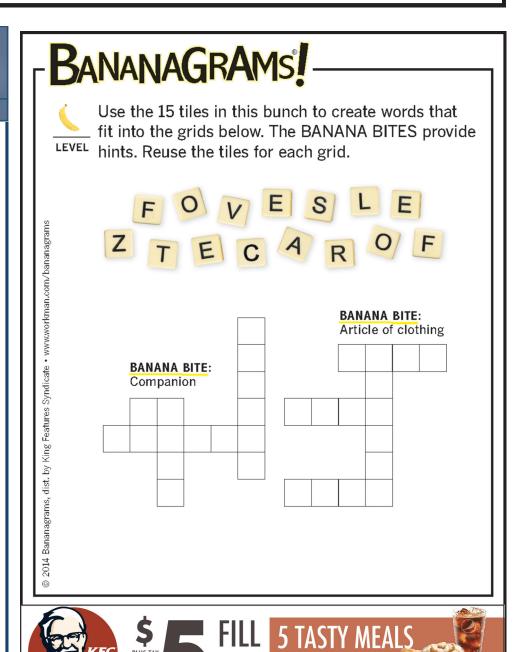


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Sleeping all day, partying all night is not a healthy lifestyle

By Kaitlyn Cotton THE COLLEGIAN

You've all heard the saying, "sleep all day, party all night." It has been sewn onto our pillowcases, embroidered into our T-shirts and pinned onto our Pinterest quote

Has anyone actually tried living a lifestyle like this though? While the reality is that most college students have probably pulled one too many all-nighters before a big test, this saying is promoting the

Fraternity parties, new friends, late nights at the library and, as cliché as it sounds, a never-ending supply of memories is exactly what

college is supposed to offer. Movies like "Neighbors" make living this lifestyle seem not only appealing, but also possible to achieve without repercussions.

While it may look nice in the movies, drinking until the early hours of the morning, skipping class and ignoring all adult responsibilities does come with a price.

"Research shows that seven to nine hours of uninterrupted sleep is recommended for most adults to feel energized and productive," Julie Gibbs, director of health promotion at Lafene Health Center, said.

Jordan Reinhardt, junior in communication studies, agreed that students need a certain number of hours of sleep. Reinhardt said she needs at least eight hours of sleep a night to function the following day. This isn't always attainable,

however, as Reinhardt gets less sleep depending on how demanding her week is in regards to academics and extracurricular activities.

In a survey of 50 random students, 44 percent of them credited their lack of sleep to a rigorous and demanding schedule - like Reinhardt.

According to The National Sleep Foundation, "a brain that is hungry for sleep will get it, even when you don't expect it."

Every year, there are over 100,000 car accidents due to sleep deprivation. There are many other problems associated with sleep deprivation, which include damage to one's attention span, alertness and problem-solving skills.

"While a social life is definitely important, and college is a time to have fun, if that's the purpose of being here then you're in trouble when the real-world hits," Reinhardt said.

Many students fail to recognize this at the beginning of college. Most college students believe in the misconception that they are invincible. False expectations, provided by the media and the carefree lifestyle quotes they live by make students truly believe that they can sleep all day and party all night.

"Yes, sleeping all day and partying all night is possible," Gibbs said. "When you consider the consequences though, it is less than realistic."

After looking deeper into the pros and cons of sleeping all day and partying all night, I was quite surprised to see my opinion change. I, like many college students, fell into the trap of believing I was invincible in my first semester at college.

Although I think it is extremely important to go out of your comfort zone and try new things in college, I do not think your health is something to trade in.

Rather than continuing to follow this misconception, Reinhardt offered an alternative:

"Sleep all day? I'd pull it off if I could, but we only have so many days so we better make the most of them while we can."

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Illustration by Andrea Wells

Contrary to popular belief your GPA does matter, it will impact your future



For some students, college is a giant party and class is optional. For others, college is a direct link to their future careers that cannot be interfered with. I've always had the

mindset that GPA is the most important way to measure your academic success; however, not everyone thinks the way

Those who do not believe GPA matters need to take a look towards the future, buckle up and start trying to get better grades because you almost certainly need a good GPA regardless of your future plans.

When it comes to your potential post-grad employment, a 2015 survey conducted by the National Association of Colleges and Employers indicated that more than 65 percent of potential employers who screened potential job

candidates based on their GPA used a 3.0 GPA as the cutoff when hiring. Some, however, communicated that the GPA cutoff could be dependent of the student's major.

Not everyone plans to go directly into the workforce right after college, which makes your GPA an important factor to consider when looking at graduate school or any other postgraduate program.

For example, a minimum of a 2.8 GPA is required and no grade less than a C in a course will be accepted when applying to the Kansas State College of Veterinary Medicine.

In contrast, Harvard

Medical School requires a 3.8 average GPA, Yale Law School takes a 3.9 average GPA and Stanford Business School takes a 3.6 average GPA, according to CareerBuilder.com. Though all of those schools are deemed prestigious, but that does not hamper the importance of having a good GPA when looking at other graduate schools.

In college, however, the importance of GPAs does not just begin when looking at what to do after graduation. For many students, GPA is important for keeping and applying for scholarships or maintaining

greek or club memberships. Students who are involved in greek life are also held to grade standards to keep membership within their houses. The All Greek GPA for the 2014 fall semester was approximately 3.2, a GPA which could get you into vet school. Additionally, incoming freshmen who receive renewable scholarships from the university as a whole are required to keep a 3.5 GPA in order to renew their scholarships.

I know firsthand how difficult it is to keep that scholarship GPA. One C can throw off your plan for the semester, but it is a learning experience that paves the way towards your future.

GPA is important. It is important when looking at your future and where you want to go with life. If you want to get into graduate school or even keep those scholarships, you need to start planning the best way to get the best grades now.

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Jena Ernsting is a freshman in agricultural communications and journalism. Please send all comments to opinion@kstatecollegian.com.



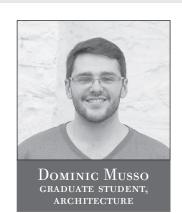
If you could bring back a fashion trend from the past, what would it be and why?



"Honestly, dressing up when you're traveling especially when you go overseas.'



"The mullet, because Joe Dirt."



"Body hair acceptance like during the '70s and '80s, because everyone is beautiful."



"Like anything from the '80s ... I kinda miss the jean-skirt trend."



GRADUATE STUDENT, ARCHITECTURE DESIGN

"Audrey Hepburn's style, like from the movie 'Breakfast at Tiffanv's.' She was a fashion icon."

New application changes what it means to 'LiveSafe' on campus

By Mallory Diekmann THE COLLEGIAN

Watch a friend walk home, send anonymous tips and be aware of areas of concern on campus, all from your smart-

About a year ago K-State's Student Governing Association leadership began looking for a way to enhance safety on campus. During its search, it found an application called "Live-Safe." LiveSafe is a free application for any smartphone or smart device, and the company has tailored a version specifically for K-State.

"We have great safety at K-State, but not necessarily in the most accessible form," said Lindsey Elliott, news production specialist in the Division of Communications and Mar-

Elliott has been giving demonstrations of LiveSafe around campus, and said she is excited to see the app take off.

The LiveSafe app costs the university \$5,000 a year in a contract that is specified to last five years.

If making campus safer isn't enough of an incentive, however, maybe a mini iPad will be. All students have to do is download K-State's new safety application LiveSafe by March 11 through K-State's website, the App Store, iTunes or Google Play.

Anyone who downloads LiveSafe by the deadline will be entered in a drawing to win a free iPad mini, a prize LiveSafe provided to K-State to help promote the app.

Once the app is downloaded, students can sign in through Facebook or create an account from scratch. Either way, students should be sure to add K-State as their university, then browse all the services LiveSafe has to offer.

'The whole app is really simple to use," Elliott said. "We wanted people to be able to figure it out on their own."

The main page of the application has four top features, but there are two features that Elliott is most excited about. The first is "Report Tips," a way to report non-emergency tips separated into 12 categories. The categories include everything from accidents or harassment to mental health or suggestions.

Elliott stressed how campus police want to improve their communication with students, which makes this app ideal because it is designed for two-way communication. Tips are sent to an email account that is checked regularly, and they are read and responded to in real time.

Every tip is sent with the exact GPS location they came from, but students can still remain anonymous if they wish. Users have the ability to send audio, video and photos with their tips too.

"I think people are afraid to use the resources we have," Lauren Whiteside, junior in elementary education, said. "This app is a way to make them feel safe without being a snitch."

Whiteside is a resident assistant in West Hall, and she said she encourages all her residents to download the app; she's already posted a bulletin board for her students in their hall to learn more about LiveSafe.

The second feature Elliott is most excited about is "Stay-Safe," a way to virtually walk someone home, or wherever their destination may be. Before a student begins walking they send a text to a friend or family member who has the app as well with a link that contains their GPS location. By clicking on the link the recipient can watch



Photo Illustration by Cassandra Nguyen | the collegian

One of K-State's top priorities is safety for all students around campus. If students choose to walk home during the night, they are encouraged to be aware of their surroundings and have easy access to safety by downloading K-State's new safety application LiveSafe.

a student walk in real time, and will be able to tell if they stop before their destination. There is also a texting feature and 911 emergency call button within

"I think SafeWalk will be beneficial for students who are walking home from the Z lot, or a study session or a class that gets out late," Peighton Jamison, freshman in theater and business, said. "I know that when I am walking home late from rehearsal I get nervous, and I'd like to know that someone knows exactly where I am."

The third feature on the homepage is the "Emergency Options." When students sign up with K-State as their school, the application automatically syncs in 911 and K-State Police Department, whom you can message or voice call. These messages are monitored 24/7, giving the recipient immediate attention and the appropriate assistance

The fourth and final main feature is the "Safety Map," which allows students to see areas of concern on campus. These areas are marked by campus police.

LiveSafe also contains weather, emergency procedures and resources too, including the C.A.R.E. Center, Wildcat Walk and more.

"I really like it," Theresa Luensmann, graduate student in counseling and student development and assistant resident life coordinator of Boyd Hall, said. "I think it's the kind of thing our students will respond well to, and I'm excited to see how it will work in the future."

While Communications and Marketing have been the forerunners in bringing Live-Safe to K-State, the SGA has made it their goal to promote

"Whatever we can do to further protect our students, I'm all for it," Reagan Kays, senior in agribusiness and student body president, said.

Kays said even he gets nervous while walking alone at

"I think a lot of people have the perception that it's for young women, and it is, but it's also for everybody," Kays said.

Kays said he recognizes not everyone wants to be identified when they report something, which is why one of his favorite features is the ability to remain anonymous.

Kays recently spoke of K-State's introduction to the application at the Kansas Board of Regents, and said the board is excited about the implementation as well.

"Other schools in the Big 12 are using the app, but not in Kansas," Kays said. "So, in that sense, we're on the cutting

Wildcats fall to Longhorns 62-49, is No. 8 seed in Big 12 Tournament



Sophomore forward **Thomas Gipson** breaks past Texas center **Cameron Ridley** as he goes for a layup in the first half of the Wildcats' 57-61 shortcoming at the hands of the No. 25 Longhorns Feb. 7 in Bram-

MEN'S BASKETBALL

By Emilio Rivera THE COLLEGIAN

K-State men's basketball continued to struggle in the state of Texas Saturday, as the Wildcats were upended by the Texas Longhorns 62-49.

The Wildcats (15-16, 8-10) were without senior forward Nino Williams and sophomore guard Jevon Thomas. Williams missed the game due to personal reasons. Thomas, meanwhile, appears to be in limbo with the team, as K-State head coach Bruce Weber told reporters after the game that he will have to talk to the coaches if he wishes to be reinstated with the

The duo of sophomore guard Marcus Foster and senior forward Thomas Gipson picked up the slack. The two scored 15 points each. Gipson pulled down 11 rebounds; Foster added three rebounds and three assists.

K-State's shooting struggles spanned the whole game. The Wildcats finished shooting 36.4 percent from the field, including 20 percent from long range. The long-range production stalled in the second half particularly, with the Wildcats failing to make a shot from behind the arc to close the game,

finishing 0-6 from deep in the closing minutes.

Down low, K-State was overmatched. Texas finished with 14 blocks, including 10 in the first half. Gipson managed to score in double-digits, but the rest of the Wildcats struggled to finish shots near the rim due to Texas' size.

Four Longhorn players finished scoring in double-figures, led by sophomore guard DeMarcus Holland with 12

K-State is now the No. 8 seed at this week's Big 12 Tournament in Kansas City, Missouri. The Wildcats will play TCU on Wednesday, with the winner set to matchup with Kansas on Thursday.

PELL | K-State Proud works to fill financial assistance gap for students

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"On the national level, we have the Perkins Loans program that has had funding to it completely cut off and is slated to 'sunset' by the 2015-16 academic year," Gamez said. "It's a matter of Congress reauthorizing the funds for it, but so far – and even without a replacement - it seems like it's gone for good."

Gamez also said it was disappointing how little state support student funding has been receiving. Programs like Federal Work Study and others have had no increases in the last eight years. He said the last time Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants saw a change in K-State's books it was a 4.4 percent decrease for the 2011-12 academic year.

"When I first went to school about 30 years ago, I was a first generation college student and even with college being much cheaper back then I still got to receive a good financial aid package that helped me through school; and I just think it's unfortunate that students today may not have that opportunity," Gamez said. "It's a shame when someone has the willingness to get an education and is at a certain level of academic commitment, but the financial means get in the way of that.'

On the state level, the future for students in dire financial need may have to rely on philanthropic university sponsored programs. Even though such programs may provide only a fraction of the help that federal programs provide, they appear to be a rapidly

growing and a fairly successful trend. An example of a philanthropic program that has had great success is K-State Proud, a nationally-recognized and student-led fundraising campaign for students having trouble paying their full tuition bill.

Connor Kraus, Student Opportunity Award committee chair for K-State Proud and junior in family studies and human services, highlighted the importance of student and the general publics' awareness of the current situation in higher education.

"I'm overall very pleased with how far we've come as a program," Kraus said. "We've been grabbing a lot more attention over the years, and I think that's one of the most important factors in helping expand the program. Nine years ago we started out with about \$36,000 to give away to needy students, and just last year we had given away 444 awards totaling about \$600,000 - which is a lot when you consider the fact that it's all from students to students."

Kraus said most of the students who send in applications usually tend to be out-of-state, which wasn't a real surprise given the substantial amount of tuition they have to pay relative to in-state students.

Kraus said K-State Proud awards mainly go to students who have exhausted all forms of financial aid and can't afford any more costs, but desire to stay in school.

"The shortcoming in federal aid and increases in tuition rates may increase the number of applicants over the next few years, but we hope to match that by raising enough money to meet the students' needs and hopefully keep making an impact at the university," Kraus said.

Brady Mathews, freshman in business administration, said there will always be rising costs when it comes to tuition and, consequently, loans will be become more and more essential until they turn into a basic need for any college student.

"I'm just starting out as a freshman this year and things aren't at that point where financing a degree is the largest issue," Mathews said. "I've had some scholarships here and there but I also had to take out student loans to cover tuition cost."

Mathews said he was concerned about the rising cost of attending college and feder-

"We'll just have to wait and see what happens but hopefully down the road we see some balance start to build around the state and on the national level as well," Mathews

K-State leaves Big 12 Tournament after 82-70 loss to Baylor in Dallas

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

By Tate Steinlage THE COLLEGIAN

A team either wins the Big 12 Tournament or it doesn't. There are no moral victories. Still, head coach Jeff Mittie and his K-State women's basketball squad sure left Dallas in commendable fashion.

The Wildcats downed in-state rival Kansas for the third time this season, 57-49, in the first round of the Big 12 Women's Basketball Tournament Saturday. They then turned around Sunday and gave No. 1-seed Baylor a run for their money

Down double-digit multiple times Sun-

day, including a 12-point deficit with nine minutes to play, K-State scored six-straight points to cut Baylor's lead down to 73-67 with 2:52 to play.

The Wildcats were unable to gain additional ground, though, falling 82-70, but the final score did improve upon 30- and 22-point losses to the Bears earlier in the season.

The team was led by senior guard Haley Texada who tied a career with 25 points and four steals. Texada kicked off the tournament with 17 points, six rebounds, three assists and

two steals against Kansas. K-State finishes their regular season

and Big 12 Women's Basketball Tournament appearance 18-13 on the year. An NCAA Tournament at-large bid is unlikely, but not completely out of reach. If the Wildcats are not picked for the big dance, they are a likely candidate for the 2015 WNIT.

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Above: Fake Patty's Day goers wait for a bus during Fake Patty's Day celebrations in Aggieville on Saturday.

Cassandra Nguyen | the collegian Top Right: Fake Patty's Day participants swing dance during Fake Patty's Day celebrations in Aggieville on Saturday.





GEORGE WALKER | THE COLLEGIAN Fake Patty's Day goers eat mac 'n cheese grilled cheese sandwiches during Fake Patty's Day celebrations in Aggieville on Saturday.

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Fake Patty's Day participants purchase T-shirts in front of Thread during Fake Patty's Day celebrations in Aggieville on Saturday.







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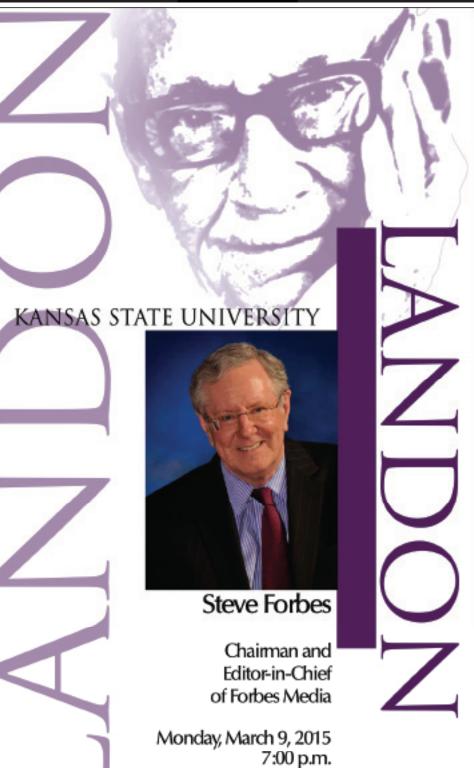
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K-State offense blows by Santa Clara in series sweep over weekend



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K-State sophomore pitcher **Nate Griep** pitches during the first game of the series against Santa Clara on Friday at Tointon Family Stadium.

BASEBALL

By Timothy Everson THE COLLEGIAN

K-State baseball (7-7) completed their sweep of the Santa Clara Broncos this weekend with a 10-3 drubbing Sunday.

Led by senior outfielder Shane Conlon and junior catcher Tyler Moore, who each went 4-5 on the day with two RBIs a piece, K-State completed a strong offensive weekend that saw the Wildcats outscore and out-hit Santa Clara 31-9 and 37-17

"I was proud of the guys today," K-State head coach Brad Hill said to K-State Sports. "You win big yesterday, and it's easy to come out flat today. We didn't come out flat, and that starts on the mound. (Junior) Corey Fischer gets a lot of credit, too, for putting up four zeros (on the scoreboard) to start it out. It allowed us to get in the flow

Fischer pitched four innings and allowed three runs on three hits before being relieved by freshman Jackson Douglas in the fifth inning. Douglas would go on to earn the first win of his career after giving up only one hit and no runs in two innings pitched.

The Wildcats kept their offense fairly consistent, putting up four multiple-run innings to blow past the Broncos.

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Saturday

Offense was not in short supply in the second game of the series Saturday. K-State put up 17 runs on 14 hits, both a season high, to take game two by a score of 17-5.

Moore led K-State with five RBIs, the most any K-State player

has had since former K-State standout Ross Kivett had five in March

The Wildcats scored seven of their runs in the first three innings before Moore hit his second homerun of the season to kickstart a three run sixth to put K-State up 10-4.

K-State then exploded for a seven-run eighth inning that blew the

Sophomore Jordan Floyd got the win for K-State in relief allowing just one hit and one walk in four innings pitched.

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Sophomore right-hander Nate Griep had his third-straight quality start as K-State strung together a 4-1 home-opening win over Santa

Griep gave up only one run on three hits in seven innings of work. The Broncos struck first taking a 1-0 lead in the fourth inning, but the Wildcats responded in kind with Moore and senior outfielder Max Brown each drilling in two-out RBIs, scoring one and two runners respectively to take a three-run lead.

Senior catcher Carter Yagi added insurance with another two-out RBI that extended K-State's lead to three runs, which was more than enough to earn the victory.

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K-State continues their eight-game home stand as they welcome the Creighton Bluejays for a two-game, mid-week series starting on Tuesday in Manhattan.

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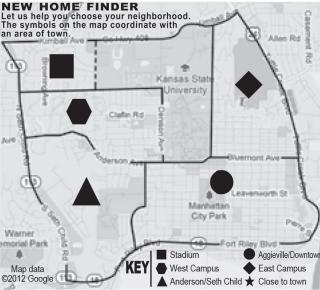
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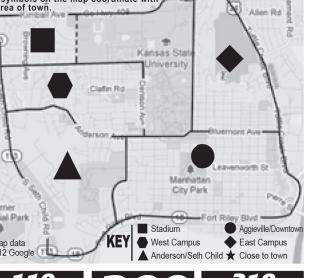
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Wildcats finish opening day of Tiger Invitational with momentum, 2 golfers make it into top 10

By Emilio Rivera THE COLLEGIAN

he K-State men's golf team finished tied for third place after the first day of the Tiger Invitational on the Grand National Lake Golf Course in Opelika, Alabama, with a 7-over par 295 score.

"I thought we did a really good job hang-

ing in there today," K-State head coach Grant Robbins said to K-State Sports following the first round. "We made some mistakes, but everv one of our guvs bounced back after a bad hole and stayed committed to the process."

Bounce back they did. K-State had two golfers finish the first day in the top 10, with sophomore Seth Smith and redshirt sophomore Matt Green tying for fifth- and seventh-place, respectively.

Smith finished with four birdies and four bogies to finish with a 1-under par 71. With three bogies and a costly double bogie to start the day, Green finished the day with five-birdies to finish at an even-par 72 heading into the second day.

The team still has two days of the tournament to look forward to, as day two kicks off today at 9:15 a.m. in Alabama.

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